THE *LATE LETTERS* from both Houſes of PARLIAMENT CONCERNING THEIR purpoſe of delivery of a Petition to His MAJESTY.

HIS MAIESTIES Anſwer to thoſe *Letters*.

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For the Right Honourable the Lord Viſcount FALKLAND Principall Secretary unto His MAJESTY, or in his abſence for Mr Secretary NICHOLAS, or any of the Lords the Peeres attending His MAJESTY.

Grey of Warke.

My Lord,

IAm commanded by the Lords the Peeres and Commons aſſembled in Parliament, to addreſſe by you their humble deſires to His *Majeſty*, that He will be pleaſed to grant His ſafe Conduct to a Committee of Lords and Commons to paſſe and to repaſſe unto His *Majeſty*, that are directed to attend Him with an humble Petition from His Parliament. This being all that I have in Commiſſion, I reſt

Your aſſured friend and ſervant

GREY of WARKE

Speaker of the Houſe of Peeres pro tempore.

Weſtminſter this 3. of *November* 1642.

To the Right Honourable the Lord GREY of WARKE *Speaker of the Houſe of Peeres pro tempore.*

My Lord,

HIS *Majeſty* hath commanded mee in anſwer of your Lordſhip's of the third preſent, to ſignify to you, That He alwaies hath been and is ſtill ready to receive the humble Petitions of either or both Houſes of Parliament, and ſhall take order, that a Committee of Lords and Commons may paſſe and repaſſe to Him with the Petition of both Houſes as is deſired, ſo as the ſaid Committee conſiſt of Perſons that have not been by His *Majeſty* either by name declared Traitors or otherwiſe in ſome of His Declarations or Proclamations excepted againſt by name, with His intention declared to proceed againſt them as Traitors; And ſo as the ſaid Committee come not with more then Thirty Perſons in their company, and give notice before hand of their comming. And for the ſaid Commitees better ſecurity, His *Majeſty* upon the receipt of their names will give a ſafe Conduct for them under His Hand and Signet. This being all I have in Command to deliver to your Lordſhip, I humbly reſt

Your Lordſhip's moſt humble ſervant

Reading 4. *Novemb.*

EDWARD NICHOLAS.

For the Right Honourable the Lord Viſcount FALKLAND Principall Secretary to His MAJESTY, or in his abſence to any of the Lords the Peeres attending His MAJESTY.

Grey of Warke.

My Lord,

Have received a Command from the Lords and Commons in Parliament to ſend you the names of two Lords, that is to ſay, Algernon *Earle of* Northumberland, Phillip *Earle of* Pembrooke *and* Montgomery, *and of fower Members of the Houſe of Commons* Mr Perpoint, *the Lord* Wenman, *Sir* Iohn Evelin *of* Wilts, *and* Sr Iohn Hippiſly, *being the Committees of both Houſes appointed to attend His* Majeſty *with an humble Petition directed from them to His* Majeſty, *deſiring your* Lordſhip *will be pleaſed to move His* Majeſty *to ſend a ſafe Conduct to paſſe and repaſſe under His Royall* Hand *and Signet for the ſeverall perſons afore mentioned. This being all that I have in Commiſſion, I reſt*

Your Lordſhips friend and ſervant

GREY of WARKE

Speaker of the Houſe of Peeres *pro tempore.*

Weſtminſter this 5. of *November* 1642.

To the Right Honourable the Lord GREY of WARKE *speaker of the House of Peeres pro tempore.*

My Lord,

YOur Lordship's Letter, of the 5th of *November*, I shewed to His MAJESTY, who hath expresly commanded me to returne your Lordship this Answer in these words, That His MAJESTY hath sent (which I have enclosed) a safe Conduct under His Royall hand and Signet for the Earle of *Northumberland* & the Earle of *Pembrooke* and *Montgomery*, Mr *Perpoint*, the Lord *Wenman*, & Sr *John Hippisly*, but hath not admitted Sr *John Evelin* of *Wilts* to attend Him, as being included in the Exception made by His MAJESTY in the Letter sent by Mr Secretary *Nicholas* to your Lordship of the 4th, as by the inclosed Proclamation proclaim'd at His *Majesties* Court at *Oxford*, and sent with a Writ sealed into the County of *Wilts*, will appeare. His *Majesty* hath likewise commanded me to signify to your Lordship, that in case the Houses shall think fit to send any other person in the place of Sir *John Evelin*, that is not included in the exception made in Mr Secretaries letter before mentioned, His *Majesty* hath commanded all His Officers, Souldiers and other Subjects to suffer him as freely to passe and repasse as if his name had been particularly comprised in this safe Conduct. This being all that I have in Commission, I rest

Your Lordship's humble servant

Reading this 6. of *November*. 1642.

FALKLAND.

His Majesties *safe Conduct.*

OUR Will and Pleasure is, and We doe hereby strictly charge and Command all the Officers and Souldiers of Our present Army, and all Our Ministers and Subjects whatsoever, to suffer Our Right trusty and right well-beloved Couzins and Counsellors *Algernon Earle* of *Northumberland*, and *Philip Earle* of *Pembrooke* and *Montgomery*, and Our right trusty and right well-beloved Couzin *Thomas* Ld *Viscount Wenman*, and Our trusty and well-beloved *William Perpoint* Esquire, and Sir *John Hippisly* Knight (together with their attendants not exceeding the number of Thirty) to passe and repasse to and from Us, they being now sent to attend Us with a Petition from both Our Houses of Parliament. This Our safe Conduct under Our Royall Hand and Signet, We charge and Command them and every of them punctually to observe and obey, as they will answer the contrary at their uttermost perills.

Given at Our Court at Reading *this sixth of November.* 1642.

BY THE KING.

A Proclamation of His Majesties *Grace, Favour, and Pardon, to the Inhabitants of His County of* Willts.

WHEREAS We have taken notice that by the malice, Industry and Importunity of severall ill-affected and seditious persons in Our County of *Willts*, very many of Our weake and seduced Subjects of that Our County have not only been drawn to exercise the *Militia*, under colour of a pretended Ordinance, without and against Our consent (a Crime of a very high nature, if We would strictly enquire thereinto) but have made Contributions of Plate, Money and Horses towards the maintenance of the Army now in Rebellion against Us; We doe hereby publish and declare, That We are graciously pleased to attribute the Crimes and Offences of Our said Subjects of that County to the power and Faction of their seducers, Who, We beleeve, by Threates, Menaces, and false Informations compelled & led them into these actions of unduti fullnesse and disloyalty towards Us; And We doe therefore hereby offer Our free and gracious Pardon to all the Inhabitants of Our said County of *Willts*, for all Offences concerning the premises committed against Us before the publishing of this Our Proclamation (except Sir *Edward Hungerford*, Sir *Henry Ludlow*, Sir *John Evelin*, and *Walter Long* Esquire,) against all which We shall proceed according to the Rules of the Law, as against Traitours and Stirrers of sedition against Us, And whom We doe hereby require all Our Officers and Ministers of Iustice, and all Our loving Subjects whatsoever, to apprehend and cause to be kept in safe Custody till Our Pleasure be further known. Provided that this Our Grace shall not extend to any Person, who after the publishing this Our Proclamation shall presume by Loane or Contribution to assist the said Army of Rebells, to assemble and Muster themselves in Armes without Authority derived from Us under Our Hand, to enter into any Oath of Association for opposing Us and Our Army, or to succour or entertaine any of the Persons excepted in this Our Proclamation, or in Our Declaration of the 12 of *August*. But We must and doe declare, That whosoever shall hence forward be guilty of the premisses, or of either of them, shall be esteemed by Us as an Enemy to the publick Peace, a Person disaffected to Us; and to the Religion and Law of the Kingdome, and shall accordingly receive condigne punishment, of which We give them timely notice, that they may proceed accordingly at their perills.

Given at Our Court at Oxford, *this second day of* November, *in the Eighteenth yeare of Our Reigne.*